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January 6, 2010

Re:

The Honorable Chairman and Members of the Hawaii Public Utilities Commission Kekuanaoa Building 465 South King Street, Room 103 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 Attn: Michael Azama, Esq.

Docket No. 2009-0048 - Molokai Public Utilities, Inc.

Dear Chairman and Commissioners:

Pursuant to HAR § 6-61-23, Intervenor County of Maui requests that the Commission extend the time for the County to submit its direct testimony and exhibits, if any, in the above-referenced matter from Wednesday, January 6, 2010 to Wednesday, January 13, 2010. The County requires additional time to submit direct testimony and exhibits because of counsel's conflicting and heavy trial and litigation schedule in January.

Counsel for Molokai Public Utilities, Inc. ("MPU") and the County spoke by telephone this morning and MPU has agreed to the County's request. Further, to provide MPU with sufficient time to submit Information Requests to the County on the County's direct testimony, MPU and the County agreed to modify MPU's deadline to submit Information Requests to the County from January 19, 2010 to January 22, 2010.

All other deadlines set forth in the Stipulated Regulatory Schedule attached to the Order Approving Proposed Procedural Order, As Modified, issued on November 6, 2009 shall remain unchanged.

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We wish to emphasize to the Commission and the parties that the County does not seek to delay this proceeding. MPU kindly agreed to our request for an extension of time because of our heavy and conflicting trial and litigation schedule in January. We appreciate the courtesy extended to us by counsel for MPU. If the Commission has any concerns or questions regarding the modification to the schedule, we will be happy to provide information to the Commission.

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